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For: OXIDATION-RESISTANT RARE EARTH METAL-BASED MAGNET  
MAGNET POWDER AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME,  
COMPOUND FOR RARE EARTH METAL-BASED BONDED MAGNET,  
RARE EARTH METAL-BASED BONDED MAGNET AND METHOD FOR  
PRODUCING THE SAME

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
**PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.97(b)**

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June 13, 2006

Sir:

The attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. One copy of each of these documents is attached.

Documents AF through AK were cited in a European Search Report dated April 10, 2006. A copy of the search report is also attached.

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